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1. From the beginning of 1950, the number of Soviet families at Sonkyo-ri Airfield in Pyongyang began to increase. More than forty dependent families were at the field by May, living in the officers' quarters attached to the field.
2. On 17 May, six Soviets reported to be doctors and pharmacists entered the laboratories at the Sonkyo-ri flour mill. They are conducting some research of a secret type; the laboratory is restricted territory. The men appear to be between the ages of forty and fifty.
3. On 18 May, a shipment of goods from the USSR arrived at the field from Hungnam (127-40, 39-50) by rail. The goods included various colors of paint and lacquer, lubricating oil for planes, and plane parts. The latter were packed in boxes which were labeled in Russian.

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